

# Asia Pacific Alliance for the Control of Influenza

The Asia Pacific Alliance for the Control of Influenza (APACI) is a not for profit organization, consisting of leading international experts in the field of influenza, representing the countries of the Asia-Pacific.



- Identify and develop activities that complement the World Health Organization (WHO) Global Agenda on Influenza Surveillance and Control, and Global Action Plan for Influenza Vaccines.
- Assist the development of country-specific public awareness programs on influenza.
- Promote influenza awareness among healthcare professionals in the region.
- Provide educational resources to support influenza awareness activities.
- Assist the process of establishing or reviewing country-specific recommendations for influenza prevention and control.
- Facilitate the timely access to, and supply of, influenza vaccines and antiviral medications.

### Influenza Foundations in the Asia Pacific

One of the goals of APACI is to facilitate the development of an influenza foundation (or similar group) in every Asia-Pacific country. It is intended that, over time, each foundation will be interlinked, utilising a comprehensive communication and education network.

#### Members

Current APACI Members are from Australia, China, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Republic of Korea, New Zealand, The Philippines, Thailand and Vietnam. Membership of APACI has recently been opened up so that it is now available to anyone who is able to demonstrate a genuine interest in influenza in the Asia-Pacific.

Membership benefits include:

- Invitation to attend AGM, with voting right.
- · Access to the APACI online resources
- Priority invitations to APACI conferences
- Updates about APACI initiatives

Contact APACI via the website to obtain a membership application form.

# **APACI** Website

A key feature of APACI's operations is the development of its website <u>www.apaci.asia</u>. The site is updated daily, and includes the following features:

- Up to date information on influenza topics
- Latest review articles
- New journal articles
- Latest Avian influenza (H7N9, H5N1) updates
- Latest seasonal influenza vaccine developments, including QIV
- Translated influenza resources
- Current information on APACI and Influenza Foundation meetings and other meetings in the area of influenza.

www.apaci.asi

INFLUENZA can cause serious illness, and in some cases lead to hospitalisation and death. Those most at risk include:

- Pregnant women
- The elderly
- People with chronic disease
- Healthcare workers
- Children
- People with low immunity



# Asia Pacific Alliance for the Control of Influenza

# **APACI** Publications

APACI subscriptions are free and aim to keep you up to date with the latest scientific and medical information on influenza in the Asia-Pacific. They include:

#### **APACI MEDIA BULLETIN**

- What the media is talking about, and how they perceive influenza issues.
- Collected from a range of media sources throughout the Asia-Pacific region, including print, online, television and radio.
- · Published twice weekly.

#### ASIA-PACIFIC INFLUENZA NEWSLETTER

- Features articles on new developments and recent events relating to the disease, and its control and prevention.
- Published 4 times a year.

#### **APACI JOURNAL ALERT**

- Will keep you up to date with the latest literature in the field of influenza.
- Covers a sample of the latest general influenza articles, reviews and literature on topics of particular interest such as the burden of influenza and the benefit of vaccination, quadrivalent vaccines, and H7N9 avian influenza.
- The full list of articles are listed on our website.
- Published monthly.

#### **APACI CONFERENCE ALERT**

• Be kept informed about any forthcoming APACI meetings and other important meetings in the area of influenza.

# Subscription to all our publications is FREE.

To subscribe go to our website at <u>www.apaci.asia</u>, and click on 'subscribe'.

Or subscribe by filling in the details below and handing the form to an APACI representative:

Full Name:
Email:
Organisation:
Country:

I wish to subscribe to:

- APACI Media Bulletin
- Asia-Pacific Influenza Newsletter
- APACI Journal Alert
- APACI Conference Alert



#### **International Meetings**

APACI holds regular international influenza meetings throughout the Asia Pacific region:

- **JUNE 2012:** The "Inaugural Asia-Pacific Influenza Summit & Antiviral Forum", Bangkok, Thailand. Attended by over 200 delegates from more than 30 countries.
- **JULY 2013:** "TEPIK/APACI International Influenza Symposium — Optimizing Current Interventions & Exploring New Horizons", Seoul, Republic of Korea. A collaboration between APACI and the Transgovernmental Enterprise for Pandemic Influenza in Korea (TEPIK).
- **OCTOBER 2013:** "International Influenza Workshop" for health care professionals, Hanoi, Viet Nam.
- **NOVEMBER 2014:** "Epidemiology & Control of Influenza Workshop", New Delhi, India. A collaboration between APACI and the Vallabhbhai Patel Chest Institute.
- **JUNE 2015:** "The 2nd Asia-Pacific Influenza Summit & Antiviral Forum", Hanoi, Viet Nam. The summit was organized in cooperation with the Viet Nam Ministry of Health's General Department of Public Health, and in collaboration with the Institute for Preventive Medicine and Public Health (Hanoi Medical University), and the National Institute of Hygiene and Epidemiology.



APACI receives in-kind support from a variety of sources, and funding from a number of pharmaceutical companies; through its Board of Directors, APACI maintains full control over all of its activities and published materials.

# For more information

Please visit the APACI website: <u>WWW.apaci.asia</u> or send an email request to

or send an email request to info@apaci.asia



APACI 2015